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MILITARY AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC SECURITY

INFORMATION ON VIETNAMESE MILITARY UNITS

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<u>Unit</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1st MR	Youth Union activities reported. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 19 Aug 81 p 1)
Unit S.01	
Unit M.35	
Unit B.46	
Unit B.38	
Unit H.43	
B.60 Gp	
N.29 Gp	
Tan Trao Gp	
Chi Lang Gp	
Pac Bo Gp	
B.31 Gp	
B.67 Gp	Subordinate units include battalions. Recently completed widening a road in Quang Ninh Province at Co Tien Hill. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 19 Aug 81 p 4)
B.65 Gp, Truong Son Corps [Binh Doan]	Digging canal on right bank of the Da River. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 19 Aug 81 p 2)
B.19 Div	Recently completed 1st phase concrete pouring at the Pha Lai Electric Power Plant construction site. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 19 Aug 81 p 2)
6th Artillery Gp	Deputy Political Officer: Nguyen Dinh Phuong [NGUYEENX DINHF PHUWOWNG]. Located in Central Vietnam highlands. Has been at its present location since at least mid-1979. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 19 Aug 81 p 2)

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<u>Unit</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
06 Gp, Pac Bo Corps [Binh Doan]	Recently completed construction of the Na Nghieng electric power station in the Ha Quang area of Cao Bang province to replace one destroyed by the PRC invaders. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 19 Aug 81 p 2)
3d Co, 573d AAA Regt, 5th MR	Photo shows unit armed with twin barreled weapons. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 19 Aug 81 p 3)
1st Bn, M.44 Gp	Conducts small arms training. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 20 Aug 81 p 1)
Chi Lang Corps [Binh Doan] B.27 Gp Sao Vang Gp M.99 Gp 56th Bn, Technical Department -B.37 Gp	Subordinate units construct training facilities and improve living conditions. -has killed a number of PRC infiltrators. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 20 Aug 81 p 1)
B.91 Gp, Truong Son Corps [Binh Doan]	Building a new road. Recently lost thousands of personnel who had completed their military service and received new replacements. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 20 Aug 81 p 1)
95th Regt, B.07 Gp	Headquarters is located four hours of hard driving from an unidentified locality in Choan Khsan District in north western Kampuchea. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 20 Aug 81 p 2)
H.19 Engineer Gp	VCP activities reported. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 20 Aug 81 p 3)
Phong Quang Gp, Lang Son Province	Training activities reported. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 20 Aug 81 p 3)
M.22 Gp 1st Bn 2d Bn	Conducts cadre training. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 20 Aug 81 p 3)
Duyen Hai Flotilla	Photo of gun crew on ship. (NHAN DAN 21 Aug 81 p 1)
M.70 Boat Gp, Navy	Reviewing results of 1st training phase. (NHAN DAN 21 Aug 81 p 1)
M.72 Boat Gp, Navy	Reviewing results of 1st training phase. (NHAN DAN 21 Aug 81 p 1)
M.26 Navy Gp	Reviewing results of 1st training pahse. (NHAN DAN 21 Aug 81 p 1)
T.67 Navy Bn	Practices firing tank weapons. (NHAN DAN 21 Aug 81 p 1)

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<u>Unit</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
B.03 Navy Gp	Assigned to training navy recruits. (NHAN DAN 21 Aug 81 p 1)
S.02 Navy Signal Regt	Training activities noted. (NHAN DAN 21 Aug 81 p 1)
Navy 7th Bn, M.26 Gp Vessel HQ.09, M70 Gp Vessel HQ.13, M.25 Gp	Subordinate units study food preparation. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 21 Aug 81 p 1)
Factory M.2, Signal Communications Command	Manufactures signal replacement parts. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 21 Aug 81 p 1)
Song Lo Engineer Gp	Conducts training in bridge construction. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 21 Aug 81 p 1)
Song Thao Engineer Gp	Conducts training in bridge construction. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 21 Aug 81 p 1)
2d Regt, "Q" Div 7th Bn 9th Bn -8th Bn	A deputy regimental commander: Hoang N... [HOANGF N...]. -Battalion Commander: LeVan Thao [LEE VAWN THOAR]. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 21 Aug 81 p 3)
Ha Long Missile Gp, Haiphong Air Defense Forces	Consists of five battalions. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 21 Aug 81 p 3)
Thang Long Air Force Div	Visited by children groups on 22 Aug 81. (NHAN DAN 23 Aug 81 p 1)
Sao Do Air Force Regt	Visited by Children groups on 22 Aug 81. (NHAN DAN 23 Aug 81 p 1)
Special Operations Forces T.20 Gp M.12 Gp B.1 Gp, 4th MR	Personnel participated in physical fitness activities. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 23 Aug 81 p 3)
Border Defense Forces Lang Son Province Post 187 Post 195 Post 197 Post 199 Post 131, Hoang Lien Son Province	Posts commended for vigilance. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 24 Aug 81 p 1)

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<u>Unit</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Signal Factory X.30	Responsible for army wide repair of wire communications equipment. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 24 Aug 81 p 2)
174th Gp	Located at Cat Ba, Haiphong. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 24 Aug 81 p 2)
M.90 Gp, POL Forces	Commended for insuring delivery of POL supplies. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 24 Aug 81 p 3)
M.74 Gp	Assists people of Bac Ha District, Hoang Lien Son Province with construction of a school. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 24 Aug 81 p 3)
M.90 Gp, POL Forces 3d Bn	Commended for POL pumping accomplishments. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 24 Aug 81 p 1)
280th AAA Gp	Photo of ammunition assembler. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 24 Aug 81 p 1)
H.25 AAA Regt	Commander: Nghia [NGHIAX]. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 24 Aug 81 p 2)
N.16 Regt, 5th MR	Self-support farming results given. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 24 Aug 81 p 2)
B.03 Gp, 3d MR 18th Bn	Recently moved to a new location. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 24 Aug 81 p 2)
103d Military Hospital	Activities of unit doctor reported. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 24 Aug 81 p 3)
13th Military Hospital, 5th MR	Unit Medic commended. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 24 Aug 81 p 3)
122d Border Defense Post, Binh Tri Thien Province	Photo of coastal patrol. (TIEN PHONG 18-24 Aug 81 p 3)
B.42 Gp	Physical fitness activities reported. (THE DUC THE THAO 25 Jul 81 p 2)
B.12 Gp	Physical fitness activities reported. (THE DUC THE THAO 18 Jul 81 p 3)
B.07 Gp	Physical fitness activities reported. (THE DUC THE THAO 27 Jun 81 p 2)
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INFORMATION ON VIETNAMESE MILITARY UNITS

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<u>Unit</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Thang Long Air Force Gp	Photo shows unit Mig aircraft with armament and extra fuel tank. (NHAN DAN 27 Aug 81 p 1)
294th Radar Gp	Coordinates with Air Force. (NHAN DAN 27 Aug 81 p 3)
B.73 Gp, Truong Son Corps [Binh Doan] 98th Regt	Performing an economic construction and combat readiness mission on the border. (NHAN DAN 27 Aug 81 p 3)
Con Dao Navy Gp	Apprehends foreign fishing vessels poaching in SRV waters. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 26 Aug 81 p 1)
Vinh Quang Gp, Huong Giang Corps [Binh Doan] 9th Regt 24th Regt 66th Regt	Produced construction materials to protect arms and equipment during rainy season. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 26 Aug 81 p 1)
C Infantry Gp, Capital MR 826th Regt 828th Regt 17th Engineer Bn	" " " "
No Unit	Photo of soldiers inducted during 1st phase 1981 leaving Ho Chi Minh City for service in Kampuchea. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 26 Aug 81 p 1)

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AAA Unit H.37, Ha Long Gp	Training activities reported. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 26 Aug 81 p 1)
H.3 Corps [Binh Doan], 7th MR	Rubber cultivation at State Farm 89, Phuoc Long District, Song Be Province. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 26 Aug 81 p 2)
4th Bn, H.10 Regt	" " " "
Keng Du Post, Nghe Tinh Province	Located in Ky Son District. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 26 Aug 81 p 2)
02 Infantry Gp, 2nd MR	Located on the northwestern border. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 26 Aug 81 p 3)
H.47 Gp, Tay Bac Forces	Photo of men training with heavy machinegun. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 27 Aug 81 p 1)
B.86 Gp, Capital Construction Forces, Rear Services General Department	Achieves good construction record. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 27 Aug 81 p 1)
Engineer Forces N.30 Gp B.8 Gp	VCP activities reported. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 27 Aug 81 p 1)
9th MR 15th Gp 281st Gp -H.81 Gp -8th Gp	Subordinate units working on state farms at My Lam, Kiem Binh, An Hoa, etc, located in two rice growing areas of An Bien District, Kien Giang Province. -Digging irrigation canals at An Hoa State Farm. -Sowing rice at Vinh Dieu State Farm. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 27 Aug 81 p 2)
175th Military Hospital	Unit member asks about military reward and punishment system. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 27 Aug 81 p 3)
Depot M.25, Hanoi	" " " "
5th Gp, Rear Services General Department	Constructed two four-storey buildings. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 30 Aug 81 p 1)
Truong Son AAA Gp	Conducts cadre, technical training, constructs shelters for arms and equipment. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 30 Aug 81 p 1)
Ham Rong AAA Gp	Reporter visits unit. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 30 Aug 81 p 1)

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Chi Lang Corps [Binh Doan]	Subordinate units participate in physical
B.3 Gp	fitness activities. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN
B.27 Gp	30 Aug 81 p 3)
N.07 Gp	
B.37 Gp	
S.05 Gp	

Vinh Quang Div	"	"	"	"
4th Gp				
6th Gp				
9th Gp				
17th Engineer Bn				
1st Regt				
76th AAA Bn				

B.25 Gp, Huong Giang Corps [Binh Doan]	Photo of tank-infantry team. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 31 Aug 81 p 1)
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S.6 Regt, Vinh Quang Gp	First half of 1981 saw marked improvement in unit discipline and living conditions. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 31 Aug 81 p 3)
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In accordance with a resolution of the Council of State dated 28 Aug 81 the following units were designated Hero Unit of the Vietnam People's Army for extraordinary accomplishments in defending and building the Socialist Fatherland. (NHAN DAN 31 Aug 81 p 1)

24th Infantry Regt, 10th Div, 3rd Corps [Quan Doan]

165th Infantry Regt, 7th Div, 4th Corps [Quan Doan]

917th Air Force Regt, 376th Air Force Div

937th Air Force Regt, 372nd Air Force Div

6th Infantry Bn, 2nd Regt, 9th Div, 4th Corps [Quan Doan]

8th Infantry Bn, 209th Regt, 7th Div, 4th Corps [Quan Doan]

5th Infantry Bn, 270th Regt, 341st Div, 4th Corps [Quan Doan]

7th Infantry Bn, 266th Regt, 341st Div, 4th Corps [Quan Doan]

2nd Engineer Bn, 7th Brigade, 3rd Corps [Quan Doan]

18th Signal Bn, 341st Div, 4th Corps [Quan Doan]

2nd Signal Bn, 575th Regt, 5th MR

17th Signal Bn, 2nd Div, 5th MR

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2nd Infantry Co, 1st Bn, 866th Regt, 31st Div, 3rd Corps [Quan Doan]
 5th Infantry Co, 5th Bn, 270th Regt, 341st Div, 4th Corps [Quan Doan]
 5th Infantry Co, 2nd Bn, 866th Regt, 31st Div, 3rd Corps [Quan Doan]
 1st Infantry Co, 1st Bn, 141st Regt, 7th Div, 4th Corps [Quan Doan]
 2nd Infantry Co, 1st Bn, 273rd Regt, 341st Div, 4th Corps [Quan Doan]
 20th Reconnaissance Co, 320th Div, 3rd Corps [Quan Doan]
 6th Armored Co, 2nd Bn, 273rd Brigade, 3rd Corps [Quan Doan]
 3rd Tank Co, 3rd Bn, 273rd Brigade, 3rd Corps [Quan Doan]
 10th Engineer Co, 4th Bn, 7th Brigade, 3rd Corps [Quan Doan]

8th Gp, Chemical Warfare Forces	Troop information activities reported. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 31 Aug 81 p 3)
10th AAA Co, S.73 Regt	Photo of twin barrelled AA gun. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 31 Aug 81 p 3)
B.06 Gp	Entertainment activities reported. (QUAN DOI
B.21 Gp	NHAN DAN 31 Aug 81 p 3)
B.22 Gp	
B.23 Gp	
Thang Long Air Force Gp	" " " "
Sao Do Air Force Gp	" " " "
Technical General Department	Projects by subordinate units detailed.
387th Gp	
-Factory 43	-producing insulators, copper wire, etc.
-Factory 53	-manufacturing compressors.
-Factory 25	- " " "
-Machine Tool Factory 1	- " " "
-Factory 33	-producing carbide.
-Factory 57	- " " "
-Factory 51	-improved vehicle frame cleaner tank.
-Factory 55	-rebuilt generators.
	(QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 1 Sep 81 p 1)
Lam Son Air Force Gp	Photo of Migs with aerial refueling prods. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 1 Sep 81 p 1)
3rd Bn, 69th Gp	Commander: Pham Van Thanh [PHAMJ VAWN THANH]. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 1 Sep 81 p 3)

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31st Gp	Constructing concrete structures at the Pha Lai Work Site. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 2 Sep 81 p 2)
K.2 Bn, B.8 Gp	Maintains good relations with local tribal people. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 4 Sep 81 p 3)
M.14 Gp	Photo of unit members cutting hair of villagers. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 4 Sep 81 p 3)
31st Gp	Has been on the border for 1 year. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 4 Sep 81 p 3)
47th Military Hospital	In Quang Ninh Province. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 4 Sep 81 p 3)
17th Military Hospital, 5th MR	Conducts specialized training. (QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 4 Sep 81 p 3)
Quan Tien Phong Div	Improvement in quality of training for unit signal personnel. (NHAN DAN 7 Sep 81 p 3)
18th Co, 877th Gp	Located in Ha Tuyen Province. (NHAN DAN 7 Sep 81 p 3)
Chi Ma Border Defense Post, Loc Binh District, Lang Son Province	Photo of patrol. (NHAN DAN 7 Sep 81 p 3)
1st Bn, 888th Regt, Phu Khanh Forces	Vegetable, meat production figures given. (TIEN PHONG 25-31 Aug 81 p 2)

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TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

FIRST SRV VESSEL IN ODESSA

Moscow MORSKOY FLOT in Russian Aug 81 p 6

[Article and photograph by A. Levit: "Friendship Watch on the Piers"]

[Text] In March of 1981 the diesel motor ship "Song Duong" docked in the port of Odessa. This was the first vessel from the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to arrive in Odessa.

Dock workers knew of the approach of the "Song Duong" and awaited its arrival with impatience, having thought through, down to its smallest detail, the entire course of the forthcoming unloading operation. That is why, immediately after a meeting held on board the diesel motor ship, a decision was made to meet with all interested parties and to discuss the plan of operations. Signed at that meeting was the first agreement on an extensive socialist competition between Vietnamese seamen, dock workers from the port's second rayon, and railroad workers from the Port of Odessa station. Rayon Chief G. Tankov, Captain Ngo Din' Kkhoy, UKB No 208 Brigade Leader N. Tymun' and Railroad Station Chief V. Shokot'ko were the signatories. Dock workers resolved to reduce the layover time of freight cars by no less than 5 percent and to reload the ship's cargo intact and in a high-quality manner. The Vietnamese seamen vowed to do everything in their power to assist the dock workers. The railroad workers promised to provide freight cars on time and to be prompt in bringing out the loaded cars.

The Vietnamese vessel delivered traditional export items to our nation: parquet flooring, jute, tea, shoes, rugs and sewn goods plus matting--more than 4,000 tons of cargo.

Each day it was necessary to unload more than 400 tons of goods from the ship and to either load them into railroad cars or to store them in warehouses in order to keep to the schedule agreed upon in the contract.

It is practically impossible to conduct freight operations rapidly when you consider that the goods delivered have not been packaged. However, the Komsomol youth brigade led by Nikolay Tymun' mobilized all of its ability and applied maximum effort in order to adequately cope with the tasks set by the contract.

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We figure that, every day, the brigade fulfilled its daily assignment by no less than 150 percent and reached 180 to 200 percent on certain days. Dock worker collectives led by D. Novitskiy, V. Pogrebenko and N. Dobrenko also worked successfully. We also visited the "Song Duong" on the last, the tenth day of unloading operations.

We were welcomed aboard with a smile by a likeable young man who greeted us in good Russian with "A good day to you, one and all..."

While accompanying us to the captain's cabin, Nguen Toin (for such was the young man's name) told us that he had studied at the Odessa Higher Marine Engineering School, from which he had successfully graduated in 1973. He was now senior engineer aboard the "Song Duong."

"It has been 7 years since I have been in Odessa. I am very glad to be in this remarkable city and port again," Nguen said. He then went on to assist us in our conversation with the ship's captain, Ngo Din' Kkhoy.

"The port workers are doing an excellent job," the captain stated. "We have seen in practice how it is possible to speed up ship processing under conditions in which the number of vessels arriving in port is sharply increasing. Back in the past, our nation had its own fleet but one which could be used only for short trips. But now, thanks to the aid of the Soviet Union and other nations which are members of CEMA, we have trained our own personnel and have acquired new ships. Our diesel motor ships are modern, universal-purpose vessels which can carry about 18 different types of cargo."

During the course of our conversation with the captain, which took place on the ship's bridge, the gas turbine ship "Kapitan Smirnov" was making its departure from the port. Upon catching sight of this large, ocean-going roll on-roll off container ship, the senior mechanic excitedly began to say something to the captain. Then, turning to us, Nguen Toin explained that the young Vietnamese fleet was not only glad for the successes of their Soviet comrades but was learning from them also.

The captain was delighted with the mastery with which that large Soviet vessel was being handled. Our camera captured the moment when the Vietnamese seamen were attentively watching the "Kaptain Smirnov." We decided to photograph the captain, who brought the first SRV vessel into the port of Odessa, in all of his captain's regalia. It turned out, however, that the fleet of Socialist Vietnam is too young for its seamen to have their own uniforms as yet. But no matter, that will only make this photograph more interesting a few years from now.

"Our trip to Odessa," first mate Nguen Suan Tam said, "has once more confirmed that the friendship between the SRV and the great Soviet Union, that the policy of the CPSU directed at the expansion and deepening of all-round ties with fraternal nations of Socialism, is based on the eternal living teachings of Marxism-Leninism, on our joint struggle for peace and democracy."

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Photo Caption: "The diesel motor ship 'Song Ducng' is the first vessel of the SRV to arrive in the Port of Odessa. The international watch of Soviet dock workers and Vietnamese seamen was successful: cargo unloading operations were completed 5 days ahead of schedule."

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